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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: MCCULLOUGH, Kevin A.  
Serial No.: 09/756,821  
Filed: January 9, 2001  
For: METHOD OF MANUFACTURING A HEAT PIPE CONSTRUCTION

Atty: D. Josephs      Docket No. P00405-US1  
Examiner: ROSENBAUM, Irene Cuda  
Group Art Unit: 3726

**REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Box: Non-Fee Amendment  
Honorable Commissioner of  
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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed February 4, 2002, Applicant has the following comments.

In the Office Action, Applicant has been requested to elect one species for prosecution on the merits. The Office Action states that Claims 9-11, 4, 6 are directed to a first species while Claims 12-14, 3 are directed to a second species. Claims 1-2, 5 and 7-8 were indicated as being generic.

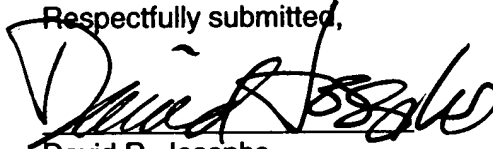
Applicant hereby elects, without traverse, the second species directed to Claims 12-14, 3. Therefore, Applicant requests that Claims 12-4, 3 and generic Claims 1-2, 5 and 7-8 now be examined on the merits.

If an extension of time is required for timely submission of this response, Applicant hereby petitions for an appropriate extension of time and the Office is authorized to charge Deposit Account 02-0900 for the appropriate additional fees in connection with the filing of this response.

The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned should any questions arise.

Dated: 2/19/2002

Respectfully submitted,



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